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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated September 29, 2005. With the extension, a response is due on or before February 28, 2006. Thus, this response is timely filed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge \$450.00, in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2), to Deposit Account No. 06-1075, Order No. 000659-0030. A duplicate copy of this Petition is transmitted herewith.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075, Order No. 000659-0030.

Respectfully submitted,

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